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brating so much as the idea of which this picturesque patriot was the embodiment. That idea transformed him from a mere sailor and an adventurous fighter into a great national character...

Now to Put the Verdict into Effect The chief object in holding the special transit election last Thursday was to make possible the beginning of construction this summer...

Technical procedure requires time. It is already so late in the year that the loan and appropriation ordinances must be facilitated in every way if a delay of a year is to be avoided...

The whole city is watching Councils today, confident that it will enter wholeheartedly into support of the necessary measures and work them to final passage with the utmost speed...

Taxing Women to Lessen the Deficit SCRUBWOMEN, janitors and watchmen in the postoffice in this city and in every other city in the country are to be taxed to raise funds to reduce the deficit...

Sacred, But Profaned IT IS a pity that Councilman Gentlemen cannot junket without taking the Liberty Bell along as an excuse. About the precious relic cluster memories of great scenes, big with significance in human history...

The Tragedy of China THERE is the tragedy of force in the Sino-Japanese situation. The young giant of the East has just begun to wake. Constructive statesmanship has been bringing the country forward rapidly...

John Bunny's "Fortune" WHEN John Bunny died it was said that for the last year or two of his life he had been getting a salary bigger than that of the President of the United States...

Garibaldi, an Idea Incarnate GARIBALDI was an idea incarnate. He had neither wealth nor position. He was a sailor, and he himself followed the sea...

The German submarine gave the Guildlight no warning, but the United States gave one to Germany three months before. It was a great day for Baltimore when it dedicated the new hospital "Diamond Jim" Brady has given to Johns Hopkins, and re-elected Mayor Preston...

Sentimental pleas for sympathy did not work in the case of the man who confessed that he had robbed his employers, but would not have done it if his employers had not led him to drink. He has been sentenced to imprisonment for seven years and six months, as he deserved...

If any one thought that Judge Hughes did not have a following he must have changed his mind when he saw the eagerness with which candidates for the presidential nomination are seeking to win over the friends of the man who is trying to take himself out of the situation...

ITALY WILL FIGHT ONLY FOR ITALY

Her Spirit Is Neither Pro-German nor Pro-Ally - Against Russian Tyranny and Franco-British Imperialism.

By ARTHUR LIVINGSTON

TO THE surprise of everybody, the entrance of Turkey into the war did not cause much alarm in Italy. The complacent attitude of the Italian Government in that crisis is now fairly intelligible. Italy rightly estimated the strength of England on the Suez Canal, and Turkey's new entanglements simply relieved the strain on the Italian troops in Tripoli...

It is perfectly apparent that if in her minimum demands Italy is hostile to Austria and Germany, in her larger ambitions she is equally hostile to the Allies both individually and as a group. Her continued neutrality hitherto has sprung as much from these facts as from internal conditions. It is obvious, and has been obvious from the outset, that the defeat of Germany and Austria is necessary to the realization of any part of the Italian program...

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The squares around these tall ruins are filled with soldiers, who stand still or who move slowly about in silent little groups a trifle solemnly, as though awaiting something of which every one knows, but about which no one speaks...

South vs. North But this cry of execration and vengeance that rose from upper Italy found only a passive echo in the south. There the present Italian Government represents to the popular imagination only the greed of northern industrialism acting upon the agriculturists of the south as the perpetrator and the consecrator of Bourbon feudalism...

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By PIERRE LOTI Translation from the illustration for the Boston Evening Transcript and the Philadelphia Evening Ledger.

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READERS' VIEWS

On the City Hall Statues and the Mistake of Allowing the Turk in Europe.

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—It is indeed impossible to refrain from attempting to try to answer "Theophile" in his commendation of the Turk, especially for one like the writer, who has been born in the midst of the very thing Turkish and knows what he says by actual experience, not mere second-hand information. He has also been fortunate in coming in contact with the best thought in America through my studies here and can see things from a real Yankee viewpoint of right and wrong...

CITY HALL SQUARE

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—Though not a resident of Philadelphia, I venture to call attention to what I consider a mistake in the placing of the City Hall statues at the north entrance of the City Hall—those of McClellan and of Reynolds. Why not have these statues on the east side by an equestrian statue of Hancock, opposite of Reynolds, and one of Meade at the eastern entrance of the square? At the south entrance I would suggest four more figures, one of General Thomas Kilby Smith (an adopted son of Pennsylvania), as one corner, and at the other one of General Birney, one of General Hartranft and one of Colonel Biddle, both of whom, I believe, were colonels at Gettysburg...

INVOCATION

O Thou whose equal purpose runs In drops of rain or streams of sun, And with a soft compulsion rolls The green earth with her snowy poles; O Thou who keepst in Thy ken The times of flowers, the dooms of man, Stretch out a mighty wing above— Be tender to the land we love!

When in the dark eternal tower The star-clock strikes her trial hour, And for her help no more avail Active sciences, her mountain-maid, But sweeping wide, from Gulf to lakes, The battle on her forehead breaks, Throw Thou a thunderous wing above— Be lightning for the land we love!

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